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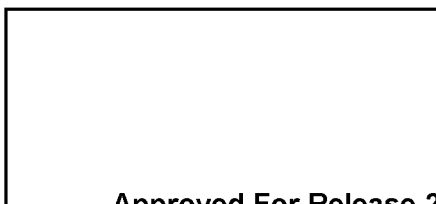
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AT THE 13TH SESSION
OF THE RECOGNITION TALKS HELD LAST WEEK, PEKING PRO-
POSED A NEW DRAFT COMMUNIQUE DESIGNED TO GIVE THE
APPEARANCE OF FLEXIBILITY, BUT WHICH IMPLIES OTTAWA'S
ACCEPTANCE OF CHINA'S POSITION ON THE TAIWAN ISSUE.
THE CHINESE COMMUNIQUE OMITTED PEKING'S EARLIER DE-
MAND FOR DIRECT RECOGNITION BY OTTAWA OF CHINA'S
CLAIM TO SOVEREIGNTY OVER TAIWAN. IT PROPOSED IN-
STEAD THAT CANADA RECOGNIZE PEKING AS THE SOLE LEGAL
GOVERNMENT OF THE ENTIRE CHINESE PEOPLE. THE CANA-
DIANS CONSIDER UNACCEPTABLE THE NEW DRAFT'S STRONG
IMPLICATION OF RECOGNITION OF PEKING'S TERRITORIAL
CLAIMS AND WILL PROBABLY OFFER A REFORMULATION AT
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